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<b>TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</b> (Under 37 CFR 1.97(b) or 1.97(c))					Docket No. 200625-1001	
In Re Application Of: <b>Thomas L. Ingram</b>						
Application No. <b>10/689,279</b>	Filing Date <b>10/20/03</b>	Examiner	Customer No. <b>38406</b>	Group Art Unit <b>3726</b>	Confirmation No. <b>2926</b>	
Title: <b>FLEXIBLE CONNECTORS AND METHODS OF MANUFACTURING SAME</b>						
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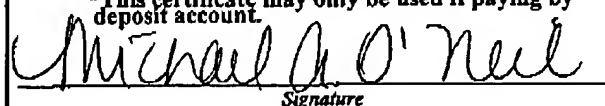
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